HCS SB 465 -- JUDICIAL FINANCE COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Bartle (Byrd)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 18 to 0.

Under current law, the Judicial Finance Commission must resolve a dispute over the circuit court budget with the county before the beginning of the fiscal year in question. The substitute allows the commission, if the dispute is submitted within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year, to resolve the dispute within 90 days of the beginning of the subsequent fiscal year. The substitute also modifies the annual report of the commission to include separate information on all divisions of the circuit court of each county, including the probate division.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will improve the efficiency and operation of the Judicial Finance Commission.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Bartle; and Supreme Court of Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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